

### FAST (TRAVEL MANAGER)

MOUNTAIN HOME AFB, ID

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#### **OVERVIEW**

- Introduction and brief history
- Statistics for FY 99 and FY 00, YTD
- Travel process
- Overall travel manning for Travel function
- FSO workload process -- How to:
- System functionality
- Training
- Major concerns and issues
- Other comments...
- Staff POC's phone numbers and E-mail address



#### INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

- Implemented at Mtn Home AFB August 1997
- First system was DOS program (character user interface)
  - Not user friendly
- Windows conversion August 1999
  - User friendly
- Process approximately 37% of all vouchers
  - Does not process
    - PCS vouchers (military or civilian)
    - TMO related documents
    - CEM orders
    - Formal training



# STATISTICS FOR FY 99 & FY 00 (YTD)

- Total Travel Vouchers
  - FY 99 12,910
  - FY 00 11,369
- FAST Vouchers
  - FY 99 4,775 (36.9%)
  - FY 00 4,187 (36.8%)
- Local vouchers
  - FY 99 Not available
  - FY 00 389



#### **STATISTICS**

- PCS vouchers
  - FY 99-1150
  - FY 00 -1290
- Blanket Travel orders
  - FY 99 6
  - FY 00 4
- Government charge cards issued
  - FY 99 Not available
  - FY 00 5,436



#### **STATISTICS**

- Centrally Billed Account (CBA) cards
  - FY 99 Not available
  - FY 00 One
    - TMO



#### TRAVEL PROCESS

- Blanket Travel Orders
  - Coordinated through ALO
- For others
  - Unit faxes/e-mails fund cite authorization letter to FAST team
  - Authorization fails system audit
  - FAST administrator uses fund cite authorization letter to update
- Local vouchers
  - Used for:
    - local travel and occasional meals
    - supplemental vouchers
    - EFT rejects
  - Replaces SF 1164



#### TRAVEL PROCESS

- Other computation/voucher requirements
  - Require comments for anything unusual or different from the norm or what is on authorization
  - Require all approvers to review airline ticket stubs to verify TP or CP
- Document override process



#### INTEGRATED PAY -TRAVEL FUNCTIONS

- Manning:
  - Assigned overall 6 assigned to travel computation
  - Customer Support 3 (includes FAST/TM Administrator)
  - Accounting Liaison 2
  - Customer Service 1
  - System Administration 0
  - Other addendum Travel support requirements
    - We do not have a dedicated system administrator for travel program but our system administrator indicates that an average of one hour per day is dedicated to travel (IATS and Travel Manager)

Pre- Fast - 3 clerks



#### FSO WORKLOAD PROCESS---HOW TO:

- Add new users
  - Unit OFA is responsible for adding new users
    - Modules, Doc Prep Admin, Tables, Traveler Info, Add
    - Fill in all applicable information
  - If the member is assigned as a unit OFA, Reviewer, Certifier or Approver - commander will assign on a FAST Form 1 and forward to FAST Administrator for update
- Add and change passwords
  - New users create their own passwords when entered in system
  - Unit OFA resets or changes password. FAST Administrator will perform service if OFA is unavailable



#### **FSO WORKLOAD PROCESS**

- Add new funding Line of Accounting
  - Another base or unit's fund cite:
    - FAST Administrator will manually add the fund cite, ensuring it is correct and in the Mart file
  - Adding fund cite to unit table:
    - Request is received from unit RA requesting fund cite be added to their permanent table
    - FAST administrator manually inputs fund cite
      - Module, Doc Prep Admin, Setup,
        Accounting, Codes, highlight correct organization, Add, Label fund cite
  - Trouble shoot -- Help Desk
    - Prior to using Help Desk, call another base using TM
    - Use Help Desk as last resort
      - 100% satisfaction



### FSO WORKLOAD PROCESS

- Manage auditing process
  - FM audit process:
    - Audit all documents that fail system audit
      - exceeding thresholds
      - approver "system hierarchy" mismatches
      - no fund cite
      - private auto use
      - no EFT/GOVCC info (all first time users)
      - overlapping trip
      - blank TANUM (blanket order)
      - leave
    - Research and correct any errors



#### **FSO WORKLOAD PROCESS**

- Support DFAS
  - Kansas City OPLOC provides FAST audit service to San Bernardino
  - Provide monthly voucher sequence to Kansas City along with any travel claims greater than \$2,500.00
  - Provide hard copy of selected travel claims to Kansas City
  - Kansas City tasks the traveler for receipts
    - Kansas City tasks FSO for assistance if not received
  - Produce supplemental vouchers or process debts on selected travel claims as required by Kansas City



#### SYSTEM FUNCTIONALITY

- Permission tables -- setting
  - Coordinated through HQ ACC
- Download process
  - Per diem tables monthly
    - downloaded from GELCO web page
  - DJMS files
    - downloaded bi- monthly after cutoff
- Reports
  - DJMS
    - run daily, coded, and forwarded to QE for processing
  - DOV Log
    - run daily and given to P&C
    - master copy ran EOM and filed hardcopy



#### **TRAINING**

- FSO Staff
  - As needed
  - Three backups for system administrator
- OFAs, Certifiers and Approvers
  - Monthly training in FM training room
  - One on one training done by request
- Users
  - Provide training in users work areas
  - Attend Commander Calls to present Travel Pay issues



## TRAINING (cont)

- Training Room
  - Set up
    - Class room setting with 13 trainee computers
    - Trainer computer hooked up to InFocus projector
  - Average # of trainees per class
    - 15 each class



#### CONCERNS, ISSUES & COMMENTS

- Training
  - Expecting non finance troops to be experts
- FAST (TM) works if you know the rules and regulations
- System limitations
  - FAST server aged and limits our capability
    - Does not allow for management report printing



## CONCERNS, ISSUES & COMMENTS (Cont)

- System limitations
  - GSUs not able to connect to server
    - Gowen Field ANG supports 266 Range Squadron with 60 active duty personnel
    - NAS Whidbey Island supports EA-6B aircraft with 26 active duty personnel
    - DFAS San Bernardino Use for audit/payment inquiries
    - DAFS Kansas City OPR for monthly random audit program. Audit program enhancement and empowerment



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